

MILFORD FINANCE COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 10, 2014

PRESENT: Marc Schaen (Chair), Aldo Cecchi, Phil Ciaramicoli, Al Correia, Bob DeVita, Jerry Hiatt, Joyce Lavigne, Chuck Miklosovich, Chris Morin, Michael Nicholson, Michael Schiavi and John Tennaro.

Members not present: Chris Morin, Dave Morganelli and Vinny Valastro

Also present, Richard Villani, Town Administrator and Paul Abbondanza, Financial Analyst

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

John Tennaro moved to approve the 6-11-14 Minutes, seconded by Al Correia, all in favor.

Al Correia moved to approve the 8-13-14 Executive Committee Minutes, seconded by Chris Morin, all in favor.

Board of Health: Paul Mazzuchelli reported that the overall budget was not over budgeted, just certain budgets were over. \$11,000 was the overall budget. The transfer station had a water break during the winter. Trees were cut on the property and neighbors had severe mud problems and they had to bring in truck loads of gravel. A frontend loader from Kimball Construction was usually used free of charge, but was not available and they had to spend extra money for another company to come in and cleanup.

The trash pickup budget is not over budgeted and they have a ten year contract at \$75 a ton. Curbside recycling is down in weight costing less. Mr. Mazzuchelli hopes to get the \$75 down lower and will have more information after his next meeting on 9/30/14.

IT Director: Paul Blivess, IT Director, reported that any IPAD's or Tablets shared by different committees will be kept at the Town Hall. He asked what it would be used for, for example, Word, Google, etc. He'll find out how many committees will use them. His office is located at the High School.

Finance Committee Articles: Paul Abbondanza, Financial Analyst, reported that the FinCom Articles are: funding for the Stabilization Fund and obligations to borrow for the Youth Center renovations and money to offset the tax rate should be on the Warrant. Al Correia moved to put these Articles on the Warrant, seconded by Bob DeVita, all in favor.

Al Correia reported that out of the \$873,000 he has a list of departments that have put articles on the warrant for monies to come out of the \$873,000 such as:

Highway: Two articles: Storm Water Drain: \$125,000 and a new dump truck: \$180,000.

Fire Department: Fire Department is turning back \$100,000 of unused funds and the subcommittee recommends that they use \$50,000 for a new phone system. They also want to

buy a new **Brush** truck and keep the old Brush. They need a new technology program for \$3000. Total is \$81,000.

Library: They need an upgrade of electrical equipment for \$60,000.

Police Department: \$25,000.

Parking Lot at Louisa Lake - \$171,000

Parks Department has agreed to defer their articles due to the cost for the new school.

All of these are included in the \$873,000. Al Correia proposed that the FinCom go ahead and work with department heads on these Articles.

John Tennaro reported that the FinCom does not have a list of capital projects as yet. Al Correia explained that he has a five year plan and will email it to all members.

Bob DeVita moved to approve the procedure relative to the Articles included in the \$873,000 as explained by Al Correia, seconded by John Tennaro, all in favor.

New Subcommittee list: Aldo Cecchi moved that Joyce Lavigne be made chairwoman of the Nominating Committee, seconded by Al Correia, all in favor.

Marc Schaen reported that he would like all subcommittee members meet with department heads at least once a month.

Aldo Cecchi moved to adjourn, seconded by Bob DeVita, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Diana Hearn

Documents reviewed: None